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### TERSE TALES OF THE TOWN

School Tax-

School District No. 29, Battle Creek, has levied a tax of three mills.

Road Tax Levy-Road District No. 16, Blind Slough,

mills for road purposes. Marriage License-

Frousdaile, both of this city. The Police Court-Several D. and D. O's appeared before

Judge Anderson yesterday afternoon, by document, and having deposited \$5 bail,

it was declared forfeited. Comes Up Tomorrow-Dr. Knisely, who was recently arrested

for practicing dentistry, without a license, will come up for hearing in Jus tice Goodman's court tomorrow after-

Sale Confirmed-

Antonia Caroline Pries, administratrix value of \$1275, and the sale was ordered confirmed.

Final Report-

the time for hearing.

Officers Elected-

The Teamsters' Union, No. 182, has elected the following officers: President, Special Tax Levy-W. D. McMullen; vice-president, Otha berg; conductor, Chas. Smith; warden, special tax of 5 mills. R. C. Rierson.

Case Postponed-

Carl Wallace, who is charged with passing counterfeit bills, was to have had a hearing in the justice court yesterday afternoon. Owing to the absence of several important witnesses, among which was the complaining witness, the case was continued until Monday at 10

Demands Jury Trial-

W. L. Sargent appeared in the police court by his attorney, C. J. Curtis, and entered a plea of not guilty to the charge of living in and around a house of ill repute. Attorney Curtis demanded, on behalf of his client, a jury trial and the trial of the case was continued until Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Will Make Short Run-

Mr. Kelly, of the Kelly Lumbering Company, at Warrenton, was in the city yesterday on business, and in response to an inquiry about the report about town that the plant was to open up again tomorrow, said that he intended to make a short run in order to get out some measurements he was short of in reports to the county clerk, a levy of 2 the yards. He did not say how long the mills would be kept going, the intimation being that it was for but a brief A marriage license was issued yester-

day to Swan Larson and Ingleborg E. Spent Day in Astoria-

Col. J. V. White, commanding at Fort Stevens, was in the city yesterday on business and pleasure combined; and scheduled at the Fort last week. The being able to come up for the recent Chamber of Commerce dinner, but the "Major Guy Howard" was "under treatment" at the time and it was not possible for him to get here that evening.

Gray's River Wedding-

On Wednesday evening last at 8 o'clock at the home of Mr. and Mrs. of the estate of Fred A. Pries, deceased, Brim, at Gray's River, there occurred a reported the sale of real property to the pleasant affair, when the wedding of the daughter of the house, Miss Cora Gertrude Brim, and Mr. Harvey Lewis May, of that settlement, was solemnized, Rev. C. L. Owen, paster of the First Baptist The executors of the last will and church of this city, officiating. A detestament of Thos. Logan. filed their lightful time was had by the guests final account yesterday and Saturday, and principals; and the day after, the January 25th, at 10 a. m., was set as happy pair left for Ilwaco where it is thought they may locate for the future. though it is hinted that Astoria may claim them as citizens before many days. Portland. She is now scheduled to leave

The members of the school board and Hunsaker; secretary and treasurer, Len taxpayers of Warrenton District No. 30 Lowery; recording secretary, Chas. Hal- met last evening and voted to levy a



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The General Washington is on Deep River Route-Alliance to Leave Out Today-Breakwater Due to Leave Here Tomorrow Morning-Costa Rica Due,

One of the quietest days experienced on the waterfront for a long time was that of yesterday. A tug, with an oil barge, came in and the oil steamer Lansing crossed out. Otherwise there was nothing occurring on the bar.

At 8 a. m. the wind was blowing from the north at a velocity of two miles an hour, the weather was cloudy and the bar rough and thick. At noon the wind had shifted to the east and increased to 10 miles an hour with the same conditions on the bar as on the previous report. At 1:45 a tug with oil barge was sighted crossing in and the oil steamer was blowing from the southeast, at 4 p. m., with a velocity of five miles and reports that the weather is interfering the bar was still rough and thick. On greatly with the course of gun practice the river there was nothing doing though it is expected that today and tomorrow colonel was badly disappointed in not there will be several vessels down the

> The Rajore in being further surveyed as to damage to cargo and it may be necessary to use lighters on account of the amount of damage done. Due diligence will be observed and there will be no unnecessary delay in getting the vessel under way again and it is hoped that she will not have a repetition of her former experience.

> The General Washington has secured her custom house documents and has completed her register. She made a trial trip yesterday and it is thought that she will take her regular run on the Deep River route on Monday.

> Another postponement has been made in the sailing of the Breakwater from there tonight and if she gets away on time should be here early this morning.

The oil steamer Col. Drake towed barge No. 3 to the bar. The tugs Wallula

The British ship Walden Abbey is still n the harbor, but will proceed up as oon as possible.

The steamer Costa Rica is due in to lay from San Francisco.

The repairs on the Patrol are about completed and it is expected that she will be in commission on Monday.

The four-masted schooner J. A. Camp-

bell which has been lading lumber at the Tongue Point mills, was towed toward sea yesterday.

The Craigvaar and the schooner Campbell, were still inside the bar at dark.

The Alliance is due down at an early our this morning and will leave out at once if conditions allow.

New Game In Town-

The new and fascinating parlor game, "Diavalo", just imported from Paris, has found a devoted votary in the person of John Manciet. It is played with two sticks, a string, and a bobbin. The game is to keep the bobbin playing in the air, from the string, which is manipulated by the two hand-sticks, and it requires admirable skill, a good seye, and an equable nerve. During a hill in business yesterday morning, Mr. Mauciet was doing a prolonged stunt with the contraption, when George Nelson came along and quietly opened the "office" door, unobserved by the enchanted proprietor who was utterly oblivious to everything and person, except his increasing aptitude for controlling the bobbin. Mr. Nelson watched long enough to acquire a conviction that John's mind had at last given way, and that he was in need of instant care. Rushing to the bar pilot's office he excitedly summoned Secretary Boelling from the room and hurriedly whispering his worst fears, begged him to go to the relief of the man they both liked. Boelling was willing, and together they went to the "Office" and found Mr. Manciet puffing and blowing from his unwonted exercise, but quiet, and quite amenable to reason, though he gave a faint sign of dementia when they approached by offering to treat them; however, it soon became evident that he

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Christmas Precautions-

Chief Foster with his usual diligence has made arrangements for the proper care of the city, in his line, during the Christmas festivities. While not neces sary to order his men, at the different houses to be ready, as they always are, he has so arranged matters that an alarm for a fire sent in to the headquarters

was not in need of special treatment, of his work, and that of the department, [Wood-Woodbarge No. 3 to the bar. The tugs Wallula and in a few moments both gentlemen that no fire shall get a start, and on and Tatoosh then took her and towed her in docking her at the oil dock.

The Tongue Point Lumber Common this line he asks that any occasion for a ser now booking orders for short (and doing their level best to keep the fire alarm be the cause of a call to length) wood to be delivered and doing their level best to keep the line alarm be the cause of a call to length)

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